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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Leonard et al. Serial No.: 10/029,424 Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: Kim

Filed: December 20, 2001

or: Method of Treating Hormonal Deficiencies in Women Undergoing Estrogen

Replacement Therapy

Date: March 7, 2006

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to			
respo	ond to the Final Offic	ial Action dated September	7, 2005.	
2.	A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:			
	\boxtimes	is filed herewith.		
	has been filed.			
3.	Applicant:			
	Claims	small entity status. See 37	CFR 1.27.	
	Does n	ot claim small entity status.		
4.	Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):			
	Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity	
	one month	\$120.00	\$60.00	
	two months	\$450.00	\$225.00	

\$1,020.00

\$1,590.00

\$2,160.00

Fee Enclosed \$1,020.00

\$510.00

\$795.00

\$1,080.00

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five months

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✓ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
 ✓ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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